

REMARKS

With entry of this amendment, claims 13-15, 20-26, and 30-37 are pending.

In the Advisory Action, mailed November 14, 2008, the Examiner stated that the previous reply had overcome the rejections of claims 13-15, 20-26, and 30-33 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. However, the Office failed to indicate that those claims are now allowable. Applicants respectfully request clarification as to the status of those claims.

The Advisory Action further indicates that the proposed amendments to claims 35-37 raised new issue and accordingly would not be entered. In particular, the Office indicated that definitions of R₃ and R₄ in claim 37 were not provided. Applicants apologize for any inconvenience caused to the Office by the inadvertent omission of those definitions. Applicants have amended claims 35-37 herein to include those definitions. Those amendments are supported in the original application, as filed, and do not add new matter.

Applicants respectfully request that this amendment be entered by the Examiner, placing the claims in condition for allowance.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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